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Insp<mark>ection Report</mark> Minerals Regulatory Program

June 21, 2010

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Mine Name: Essex Mill Site Tailings Pond Reclamation	Permit Number: S/001/0075		
Operator Name: Gene Henrie – dba Quality Crushing	Inspection Date: 06/21/2010		
Inspector(s): Brett Gregory for Tom Munson 7	Time: 1:30 pm		
Other Participants: Ed Ginouves (BLM)	Mine Status: Suspended		

	Elements of Inspection	Evaluated	Comment	Enforcement
1.	Permits, Revisions, Transfer, Bonds	\boxtimes	\boxtimes	
2.	Public Safety (shafts, adits, trash, signs, highwalls)	\boxtimes		
3.	Protection of Drainages / Erosion Control			
4.	Deleterious Material			
5.	Roads (maintenance, surfacing, dust control, safety)			
6.	Concurrent Reclamation			
7.	Backfilling/Grading (trenches, pits, roads, highwalls	,		
	shafts, drill holes)	· 🖂		Ш
8.	Water Impoundments	100		
9.	Soils		\boxtimes	
10.	Revegetation			
11.	Air Quality			
12.	Other	\boxtimes	\boxtimes	

Permit Fee: Delinquent **Bond Amount**: \$18,000 (Cash)

Purpose of Inspection: This was a routine annual inspection.

Inspection Summary:

The mine is located on private property bordering SITLA lands. The operation consists of extracting magnetite from the processed tailings of the old Essex mine. The ore is precipitated from a floating circuit of magnetite slurry, decanted, and placed in the load-out facility seen in the attached photographs. There is a significant amount of wind blown fines collecting into pits and troughs used during the decanting process. No mining machinery was found at the site during this inspection. Only water hoses, abutted concrete blocks, and a water hydrant were left from the current mining operation.

Evaluation comments:

- 1) The permit has been suspended for failure to pay annual permit fees. The operator should submit payment for 2009 along with this year's fee to bring the permit out of suspension.
- 7) All mud pits, ledges, and highwalls will need to be backfilled and/or regraded to match the existing topography once the operator chooses to reclaim the site.
- 9) The soil is organically poor and most likely incapable of supporting plant life. The soil is partially consolidated and contains abundant amounts of fines.
- 10) Poor vegetation conditions predate the current mining disturbance and revegetation is most likely unnecessary. Russian thistle is the only plant growing in the disturbance.
- 12) Photographs and a GPS map are attached documenting the conditions of the site.



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Conclusions and Recommendations:

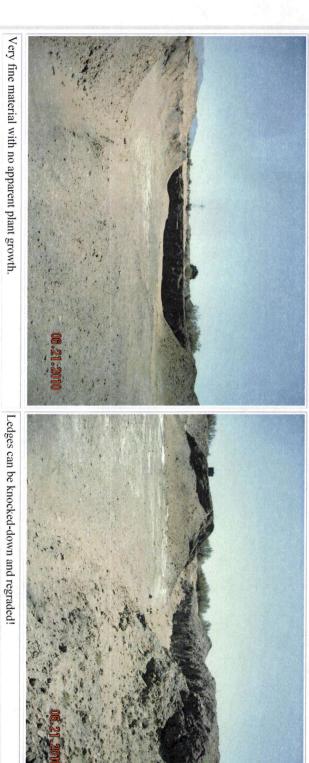
The mining operation was inactive at the time of my inspection. No significant problems were found that require enforcement action. All delinquent fees should be paid to remove the suspended status. The Division will continue to monitor the site when in the area.

Inspector's Signature

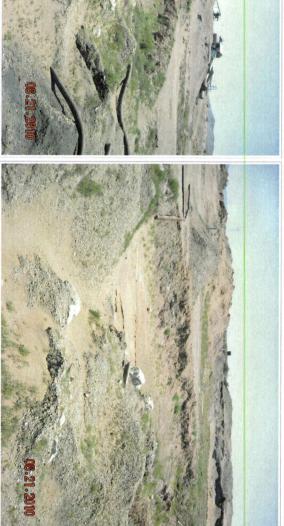
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cc: Gene Henrie - dba Quality Crushing, Operator

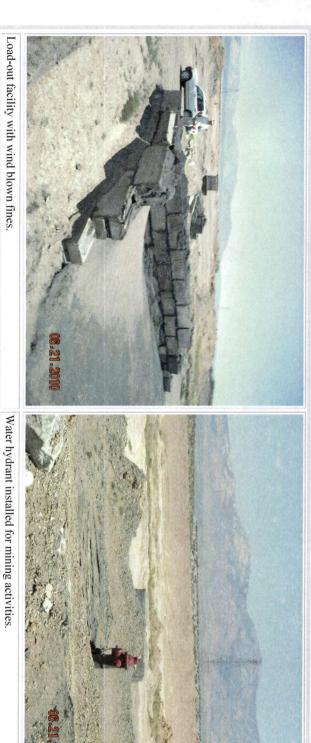
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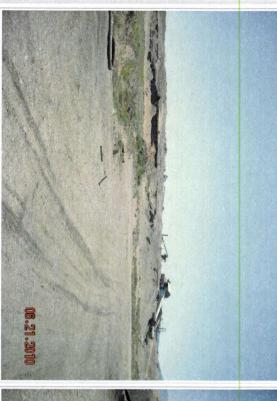






Collection of fines and Russian thistle.







Dilapidated structures on the precipice of the hill predate current mining.

A whole lot of nothing!

